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BUSBY MARVELS SHOULD THRILL SYDNEY

— By PAUL DEAN —

Wednesday night promises to be a real holiday for soccer in Sydney when magician Matt Busby and his wizards grace the Showground.

This, indeed, will be a memorable occasion: in Manchester United we have the classiest visitors of all times.

Last Sunday afternoon I watched them at the Brisbane Exhibition Ground cracking home an even seven to the joy of a deliriously enchanted record crowd.

Fittingly for the venue, it was exhibition of the first order: everything that's great in soccer was on view.

There can be no more doubt: Manchester United are great — probably the greatest team ever seen in this country.

And that includes such traditional "yardsticks" as Rapid of 1955 or Everton of 1964.

Take George Best, for example, who almost set the fine Brisbane turf on fire last Sunday.

His incredible dribbling runs, at top speed, would make a slalom skiing champion proud.

In this slight, smallish Irishman Sydney fans will have the privilege of seeing possibly the greatest contemporary winger in the world.

Or take Bobby Charlton, if you like, embodiment of elegance, grace, dynamism and superb control, directing his magnificent orchestra with the skill and authority of a Tuscanyi.

But it takes more than an irrepressible Irishman or a dashing Englishman to make Manchester United — and they've got what it takes.

It will be interesting to see if their steel-like defence will be tested on Wednesday night.

Stiles and Crerand, for example, need the atmosphere of a contest to produce their best — and in Brisbane they looked like two Rolls Royce engines idling.

Stepney, their goalkeeper, should also be worth seeing in action — if only the Sydney forwards can make him stretch out.

Of course, the big question concerning tonight's match is: just how much Manchester United will have to exert themselves to win by a "decent" margin.

That win they will I don't doubt.

But it's unlikely that the Sydney XI will be half as easy to subdue as was Queensland last.

With due respect to the Brisbane players, the Sydney team is much stronger although it's the youngest we ever fielded.

Seven of the Sydney players are products of Australian soccer.

Despite predictions and promises to the contrary, Sydney is almost certain to form a tight defensive screen to keep down the score.

If they do, they may achieve two things simultaneously: they will force Manchester United into a more serious combat and force them to produce something close to their best.

From what I saw in the Brisbane match, the Manchester defenders and midfielders are not terribly keen to contest every ball.

Time and time again they allowed their opponents to that's what we hope for in get into the game and they the Sydney encounter.



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STILES	REYNOLDS
DUNNE	
STEPNEY	
SADLER	
CHARLTON	BEST
CRERAND	
BRENNAN	

Manchester United

TOP: Manchester United as they lined up in Brisbane last Sunday. From left to right: Charlton, Kidd, Aston, Stepney, Best, Brennan, Sadler, Dunne, Crerand, Stiles, Cantwell. ABOVE: The mighty Bobby Charlton in all his splendor against Queensland. Europe's "Footballer of the Year" scored two great goals last Sunday — a taste of things to come later during the tour.

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Each week SOCCER WORLD and LA FIAMMA will publish progress scores in the voting.

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● Closing date for Section 6: 3 p.m., Monday, June 12.

SYDNEY CLUB PATROL

The Australian players and officials collected \$50 in Melbourne last week for a presentation to BRUCE MORROW to mark his last international match in a career which spanned over 12 years. Morrow was presented with an engraved tea set a dinner last Friday night.

JOHN THOMSON, Chairman of the NSW Selection Committee, accompanied the Australian and Scottish teams to Adelaide and Melbourne. He was a big hit with both squads and did a wonderful job of "selling" Australia to his former Scottish countrymen.

Some of the Scottish players had distant RELATIVES in Australia. In Melbourne three of them met relatives they hadn't seen for 15 years.

Scotland's fullback, WILIE CALLAGHAN, was so taken with Sydney that he is considering settling here in about four years time when he hopes to obtain a free transfer.

The Scots were surprised and disappointed at the lack of PRE-MATCH PUBLICITY in Melbourne, but were very impressed with Olympic Park. "As good, if not better, than most Scottish and English pitches," commented Bobby Brown.

Scottish team-manager, BOBBY BROWN, was very impressed with referees Maitland and Boskovic who operated in Adelaide and Melbourne. "Both were first class and every bit as good as our refs back home," he said.

JOHN WARREN's parents travelled down to Melbourne to see the international at Olympic Park last Sunday.

The BUS bringing the Australian and Scottish players to Olympic Park last Sunday took an hour getting to the ground as all approaches to the stadium were choked with traffic. All the cars, however, were not going to the soccer. At nearby Melbourne Cricket Ground there was a huge crowd of 72,000 for the Aussie Rules match between Richmond and Collingwood. All told some 155,000 spectators saw the six Rules games in Melbourne last Saturday. Is it any wonder, then, that only 22,000 turned up for Australia v. Scotland?

In true international tradition, players from both teams swapped JERSEYS at the end of last Sunday's match.

Whereas the ADELAIDE PRESS gave the Australia v. Scotland match prominent coverage, the Melbourne papers, as always, practically ignored the event. Whatever little pre-match publicity the international received went to the Scots. The Australian team was completely ignored in Aussie Rules-mad Melbourne.

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HAMMY McMEECHAN, the tricky little Croatia-Melbourne utility player, burst a blood vessel in his right leg after only 15 minutes in Adelaide. Although bleeding profusely the irrepressible Hammy was as chirpy as ever. McMeechan, as on the 1965 Asian tour, was the happiest character in the Australian squad.

The Scottish influence in the Australian squad was most apparent in the SONGS the players sang in the bus on their way to the matches. With seven Scottish-born players in the squad, including the team's star vocalists — Blue and McMeechan — it was fatal that most of the songs had to be Scottish. The most popular song, as during the 1965 Southeast Asian tour, was "Tipperary". "Waltzing Matilda" ran a poor second, very few players knowing the words.

Heanor Town fullback KEN AKERS is due soon to join "an Australian" club. Heanor Town finished seventh in the Midland League.

PAUL EDWARDS, now touring Australia with Manchester United, is an apprentice professional at Old Trafford. He has played in the defence of the Manchester United "A", "B" and reserve teams and also played for them in the Swiss Blue Star Youth tournament in Zurich, Switzerland.

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Contrary to a cheap — and false — boast, the SUN's David Jack, of course, was NOT the only Sydney journalist to see Manchester United's first match "on Australian soil."

For proof see Paul Dean's report on page 8.

But since they love beating the drums we may as well point out the fact that SOCCER WORLD was the only Australian newspaper present at ALL three Scotland matches AND the Manchester debut.

Over to you SUN...

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THIS WEEKEND'S AMATEUR DRAW

Saturday, June 10

First Division: Sydney Uni. v. Western Waratahs; St. Paul's Oval; Concord v. Granville Kewpies; Tempe Reserve v. Uni. NSW v. Thistle — David Phillips Oval; North Sydney v. Ryde — Cammeray Park.

Second Division: Riverside Inter. v. Liverpool Inter. — Liverpool park; Auburn v. All Stars — Progress Park; Arncliffe Scots v. Penrith — Cahill Park.

Third Division: Dee Why v. Enmore — Dee Why Oval; Gladysville-Hornsby v. Padstow RSL — Somerville Park; Greenacre v. Willoughby — Allum Park.

Sunday, June 11

First Division: South Sydney v. Artarmon — Booralee Park; Marrickville v. Lidcombe — Mackey Park.

Second Division: Belmore v. Gympie — Rudd Park; Guildford v. Yagoona — Guildford Oval; East Side-MTK v. Warringah Moore Park.

Third Division: St. Marys v. Condell Park — Jamison Park; Blacktown Spurs v. Kurriengai Maryong Oval; Liverpool City v. Smithfield — Woodward Park.

Monday, June 12

First Division: Marrickville v. Artarmon — Mackey Park; Uni. NSW v. Lidcombe — David Phillips Oval; Ryde v. Wentworth Park — L. S. Hall Reserve.

Second Division: Riverside Rapids v. Belmore — Mahoney Park; Guildford v. Liverpool Inter. — Guildford Park; East Side-MTK v. Yagoona — Moore Park.

Third Division: Blacktown Spurs v. St. Marys — Maryong Oval; Dee Why v. Kurriengai — Dee Why Oval; Liverpool City v. Padstow RSL — Woodward Park.

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The ILLAWARRA DISTRICT selectors last week announced their under-21 squad to play in country championship games. The squad includes: D. Johnston (Russell Vale), P. Cram (Bellambi), J. Bye (Balgownie), J. Ellen (Unanderra), D. Bolton (Berkeley), J. Zankolitch (Berkeley), R. Saye (Bellambi), P. Kidd (Bellambi), H. Ardsit (Bellambi), M. Gerkin (Bellambi), W. Twiddle (Bellambi). Two more players will be added.

A new SOCCER OVAL complete with round tubular steel goalposts, was officially opened last weekend at Crebban Park, Cringilla — one of Wollongong's most populated suburbs. The work was carried out by volunteers from the Slab Yard Soccer Club of Australian Iron and Steel Ltd., Port Kembla.

HERMAN EGBERS, one of Balgownie's most experienced forwards is playing with Illawarra District team Bellambi. It is also understood that Tom Mulqueeny, Melton Eagles' inside-forward, is also seeking a transfer to the same club.

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— ONE OF UNITED'S BEST —

Venglos top coach

Australian national team coach Joe Venglos was an instant hit with all the Australian players.

Seldom has a coach in Australia commanded so much respect, admiration, and even adulation from his players.

Every player I spoke to agreed he is the best coach they ever encountered.

His knowledge of the game and his human qualities played a major part in the Australian team's sterling performances against Scotland.

The unassuming Venglos had the players eating out of his hand — and they loved every minute of it.

In the dressing-room at Olympic Park after the third match was over, and the players about to disband, Venglos was given an emotional farewell by the team after he had thanked them for a job well done.

Jim Adam, the Victorian assistant-coach, is also to be congratulated.

He and Venglos worked in perfect harmony and came to regard each other with respect and admiration.

— Lou Gautier



Manchester United's brilliant Northern Irish international winger, George Best, in action at the Brisbane Exhibition Ground last Sunday. Best is rated by many experts as the top winger in the world today. He should be one of the stars of the tour.

Scotsmen surprised

The standard of Australian soccer has amazed every member of the touring Scottish squad.

In an exclusive interview with Scotland's team manager, Bobby Brown, after the third international in Melbourne last Sunday, I was told Australia was on the way towards gaining recognition as a "middle class" soccer power.

"Australia's national team's performances came as a tremendous shock," Brown said.

"We expected a businessman's holiday in Australia before we left Scotland, and only counted on one real tough match — in Israel."

"As things turned out, the three games against Australia were by far the toughest."

"We were never allowed to coast, but had to fight for every ball, and we were fully extended in every match."

Brown said Australia's national team could look forward with confidence to the next World Cup elimination rounds.

"Your team is certainly stronger than Israel's and a couple of classes above Hong Kong's," he said.

"I hope, for the sake of Australian soccer, you can persevere with a national team policy."

"You have the nucleus of a team capable of occupying a reasonable place in world soccer," he added.

A few Australians impressed the Scottish team manager.

"Scotland's loss of Macnich, Hughes and Westwater is Australia's gain," he said, "as all three are good enough to earn a place in our First Division teams."

Brown also liked Abonyi, Warren and Watkiss, whose physique impressed him.

— Lou Gautier

PEN PORTRAIT

UNITED ARE RICH IN FULLY "CAPPED" STAR

These are the pen portraits of Manchester United's galaxy of world-class stars:

ALEX STEPNEY, goalkeeper. He joined the club last September from Chelsea for a \$125,000 fee. First professional on his 17th day and he helped them win promotion to the Third Division. At the same time he became England's Under-23 international goalkeeper.

SEAMUS BRENNAN, full-back. Joined United at 15 straight from school, a local boy born in Manchester but with Irish parents which has qualified him to play for the Eire national team. First "capped" in May, 1965, after FA honors.

TONY DUNNE, full-back. An Irishman from Dublin, Tony Dunne was signed as a young player from Shelbourne, one of Dublin's leading clubs, in 1960. He won international honors for the Republic of Ireland as an amateur and is now a regular for the professional team. This season he was voted Ireland's "Footballer of the Year".

PAT CRERAND, half-back.

This Scottish wing half supplies a great deal of United's creative football. He was born in Glasgow and was playing for Glasgow Celtic when United signed him for a \$125,000 fee in February, 1963. A Scottish international.

BILL FOULKES, centre half. United's longest serving player with over 500 League appearances, more than 60 FA Cup-ties and 41 games in competitive European competition to his name. Joined the club in season 1949-50, made his League debut in December, 1952, and has now completed 15 seasons in first team football. Escaped from the Munich crash uninjured. Won an England cap at full-back.

NOBBY STILES, half-back. A local born player who played for England schoolboys, the Under-23 team and then the full England team in 1965 when he became an instant success. Helped England to win the World Cup with his dynamic wing half play. Joined Old Trafford in 1957, aged 15, and made his League debut in October, 1960.

GEORGE BEST, outside right. Born in Belfast, he joined the Old Trafford staff at 15, on leaving school. He made his first team debut in September, 1963, while he was still a youth team player aged 17, was such a success that six months later he was capped for Ireland and has been a regular international ever since.

DENIS LAW, inside forward. In 1962 Matt Busby paid a record fee of \$287,500 to bring Denis Law home from Italy where he spent a year at Torino. He is the club's leading scorer in the League and has scored more FA Cup goals (32) in his career than any other player in English post-war football. He comes from Aberdeen and, of course, a Scottish international. In 1963 he played for the "Rest of the World" FIFA team against England at Wembley. Three years ago he was voted "European Footballer of the Year". His clubs before going to Italy were Huddersfield Town and Manchester City. Denis is team captain of United.

JIMMY RYAN, outside right. Another Scottish player, he was spotted playing in junior football in Stirling and came to Old Trafford aged 18 in 1964. He made his League debut in May, 1966, in 1964 and made his senior debut in February, 1965.

PAUL EDWARDS, full-back, and **FRANCIS BURNS**, are both youngsters likely to gain some invaluable experience on the tour.

BRIAN KIDD, outside left. One of United's outstanding youngsters, aged 17, he joined the club as an apprentice professional after playing for Manchester and Lancashire schoolboys. He started to appear in the reserve team in season 1965/66 and has played inside forward as well as outside left. Won international honors with the England youth team last season, was rated the best winger at recent UEFA tourney in Turkey.

DAVID SADLER, centre forward. As a forward he was played with Maidstone United and became, at 16, one key.

W.D. & H.O. WILLS INTERNATIONAL SOCCER *The 'Red Devils' Are Coming*

W.D. & H.O. Wills, the makers of Craven Filter cigarettes, in association with the Australian Soccer Federation, have brought to Australia the world-renowned Manchester United soccer team to play in the W.D. & H.O. Wills International Soccer series. Manchester United, fresh from their victory in the English League Championships, are at the top of their form.

MANCHESTER UNITED V.

VICTORIA, Olympic Park, Melbourne, 11th June.

NORTHERN N.S.W., Newcastle Sportsground, 12th June.

N.S.W., Sydney Showground, 18th June.

VICTORIAN STATE LEAGUE XI, Olympic Park, Melbourne, 21st June.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA, Olympic Park, Adelaide, 24th June.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA, W.A.C.A. Ground, Perth, 27th June.

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COMPETITION TABLES

FIRST DIVISION

Grade I.

	W	D	L	F	A
APIA	8	1	3	18	8 17
Croatia	7	2	2	24	14 16
Pan Hellenic	7	—	4	33	17 14
St. George	6	1	3	17	18 13
Hakoah	5	1	3	18	8 11
Polonia-NS	4	2	5	12	23 10
Canterbury	4	2	5	22	27 9
SCU	3	2	5	14	18 8
Prague	3	2	5	14	18 8
Yugal	3	2	6	14	28 8
Melita Eagles	3	1	7	12	19 7
Cumberland	2	1	8	11	26 5

Grade II.

	W	D	L	F	A
Pan Hellenic	8	1	2	24	13 17
Croatia	7	1	3	34	15 15
APIA	6	2	2	32	25 14
Hakoah	6	1	3	36	13 13
Cumberland	5	3	2	28	18 13
St. George	4	3	3	28	13 12
Polonia-NS	4	3	4	24	16 12
Prague	4	3	3	27	17 11
SCU	2	3	5	16	30 7
Melita Eagles	2	2	7	23	45 6
Canterbury	—	4	7	14	36 3
Yugal	1	1	9	15	49 3

Grade III.

	W	D	L	F	A
Cumberland	10	1	—	43	19 21
Croatia	9	1	1	43	16 19
Prague	6	1	3	35	13 13
St. George	6	1	3	27	14 13
Canterbury	5	2	4	16	21 12
SCU	5	1	4	38	24 11
Pan Hellenic	4	2	5	18	19 10
Polonia-NS	4	1	6	13	19 9
APIA	3	2	5	23	31 8
Hakoah	3	1	5	12	25 8
Melita Eagles	1	1	9	16	34 3
Yugal	—	11	7	61	0

SECOND DIVISION

Grade I.

	W	D	L	F	A
Granville	6	4	1	33	12 16
Manly	7	2	2	28	12 16
Hornsby-NE	4	5	2	25	17 13
Western Subs.	5	3	3	26	19 13
Bankstown	5	2	3	27	17 12
Corinthians	5	2	4	13	15 12
Sutherland	3	4	3	10	15 9
Marconi	3	4	3	16	13 9
N. Bankstown	2	3	6	17	24 7
Balgownie	1	4	5	5	17 6
Lane Cove	1	4	5	5	17 6
Blacktown	1	1	9	15	50 3

Grade II.

	W	D	L	F	A
Hornsby-NE	8	1	2	35	19 17
Sutherland	8	0	2	46	18 16
Western Subs.	7	2	2	36	19 16
Bankstown	7	1	2	33	17 15
Manly	6	3	2	32	17 15
Granville	7	—	4	36	25 14
Marconi	5	1	4	33	30 11
N. Bankstown	4	2	5	26	27 10
Balgownie	3	7	1	25	17 10
Corinthians	4	7	13	31	4
Blacktown	1	2	8	11	57 4
Lane Cove	—	1	9	12	36 1

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

FIRST DIVISION

(Second and Third Grade)

Pan Hellenic v. SCU	3-1	0-2
Yugal v. Cumberland	0-4	1-15
Panavia v. Canterbury	3-3	1-3
Melita Eagles v. Prague	0-2	1-4
St. George v. Croatia	1-2	1-1

SECOND DIVISION

(First and Second Grade)

Marconi v. Sutherland	0-0	3-6
Granville v. Bankstown	6-0	1-5
N. B. Town v. Manly	1-2	1-8
Blacktown v. Manly	0-2	1-8
Balgownie v. Corinthians	0-1	4-0
Hornsby v. West Subs.	1-1	4-1

LEADING SCORERS

Karyannis (P. Hellenic)	11
Giacometti (APIA)	10
Watkiss (APIA)	9
Logan (P. Hellenic)	8
Warren (St. George)	8
Hood (Canterbury)	7
Giles (Croatia)	7
Ninaus (Canterbury)	7
J. Alagich (Yugal)	6
Blue (APIA)	5
F. Cus (Croatia)	5
Baariz (Hakoah)	5

TEAM OF THE WEEK

NUELL (SCU)
HUNTER (Melita)
MUCILLO (Canterbury)
DUNAJ (Yugal)
SAMROOK (Canterbury)
ZUCKERMAN (St. George)
HODD (Canterbury)
MR. ALAGICH (Yugal)
AZZOPARDI (Melita)
WARREN (St. George)
FERNANDEZ (St. George)

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SYDNEY RESULTS & DETAILS

RESULTS & SCORERS

Polonia

0 (0)

Canterbury

5 (1)

P. Hellenic

1 (0)

Sth. Coast

0 (0)

Yugal

2 (1)

Cumberland

1 (0)

St. George

1 (1)

Prague

0 (0)

HOW THEY LINED UP

Root 2; Filok 3; Cebula 3; Skiba 3; Dzialach (sent off); Komoder 4; Muhlbauer 2; Baker 2; Minol 4; Adamson 3; Hicks 2.

TOTAL: 28

Coach: N. Szegedi.

Demopoulos 3; Whitehead 3; Mucillo 4; Galbraith 4; Sambrook 4; Romanos 3; Hoare 4; Ninaus 4; Rinos 3; Hood 3 (Clarke 3); Paxinos 3.

TOTAL: 38

Coach: G. Polgar.

Clarke 3; Johnston 3; Omeros 3; Hignett 3; Cole 4; McCulloch 4; Smith 2; Karyannis 2; Logan 3; Laraman 2; Blitz 3.

TOTAL: 32

Coach: W. Vrolyks.

Nuell 4; Strachan 2; Salisbury 3; Carr 3; Barnes 4; Harrison 3; Beattie 2; Stantlitski 2; Barnett 2; Tolson 2 (Barnaba 2); Paterson 3.

TOTAL: 30

Coach: G. Barnett.

Eaton 4; Hunter 5; Falzon 4; Cilia 4; Woods 4; Hewlett 4; Stuart 2; Mullan 3; Azzopardi 4; Williams 3; Reid 3 (replaced Wynn after 5 minutes!).

TOTAL: 40

Coach: J. Vlasits.

King 3; Harcombe 3; Moulson 3; Blacker 4; Zeman 4; Blanco 4; Povey 3; Scheinflug 4; Lising 3 (G. Manuel 3); Hoggart 4; Gauto 3.

TOTAL: 38

Coach: J. Venglos.

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SUMMING UP THE MATCHES

Match rating: * * * *

Canterbury, on the crest of a wave, settled some old scores with Polonia but are unlikely to strike such palpably weak opposition again this season. One goal up at halftime, they strolled almost at will through the Polonia defence, which put up only token resistance after Ninaus scored two goals in as many minutes just after the interval. Ninaus' performance, incidentally, makes the contention that he is "over the hill" look silly. The only redeeming feature for Polonia was the courageous, non-stop performance of Minol, who, literally, took on the Canterbury defence single-handed.

Crowd: 1,000.

Referee: A. Faraone.

— ALAN SPEERS

Match rating: * *

The less said about this match, which was just about the worst in Sydney this season, the better. Both teams are equally to blame for the substandard football dished out. South Coast, obsessed by defence, spent the whole match defending. Pan Hellenic attacked a lot, but without any method whatsoever and "bombed" countless chances. Pan Hellenic badly missed Westwater's steady midfield influence and his flow of passes. They deserved the points, however, as they did not play as negatively, although just as badly, as South Coast. There was a slight improvement in the last 20 minutes when Pan Hellenic threw everything in attack to get the winning goal, which they deservedly notched four minutes from time.

Crowd: 2,000.

Referee: F. Woolman.

— LINCOLN WALTERS

Match rating: * * * *

One man dominated this thriller from start to finish: Saints' skipper John Warren. The Australian vice-captain was in scintillating form and rarely has a player played such a major part in his team's victory. Apart from scoring both goals, he was an inspiration both in defence and attack. His team-mates rose to the occasion and there was no fluke in Saints' victory. Croatia started promisingly, but poor performances by a few key players caused their downfall. The match produced some excellent football, was fast, lively and thoroughly entertaining.

Crowd: 2,600.

Referee: H. Parsons.

— LOU GAUTIER

Match rating: * * *

Adhering to a strict 4-3-3 system, Melita Eagles won two valuable points in a fast and thrilling match. This was a very even game. Prague were slightly faster and better in the first half, but Melita were on top after the interval. Both sides, however, lacked sparkle in attack and missed many "sitters". When a draw seemed inevitable and only relying on breakaways, Melita forced three successive corners before Reid finally scored. Prague hotly disputed the goal, claiming goalie King had been charged illegally.

Crowd: 1,500.

Referee: K. Lockrey.

— CHARLES SPITERI

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HAKOAH, ST. GEORGE CHASE THE DOUBLE

By LOU GAUTIER —

Matches will be played on each of the three days of the long weekend as the deferred Anzac Day match between Hakoah and St. George-Budapest will be played on Monday.

For Saints and Hakoah this is a very important weekend because if one of them can collect four points from their two games they will be firmly secure in the "top four." This weekend's games:

Cumberland v. St. George

Cumberland have always been something of a hoodoo team for St. George over the years.

Their hard-hitting, resolute tactics don't seem to agree with the softer, more technical Saints.

On paper Saints should win in a cakewalk, but irrespective of the two teams' placings over the years Cumberland have invariably risen to the occasion when they played St. George.

Fans may see plenty of goals as Warren, Price, Cliss and Fernandez, for the Saints, and Keddie, Fernie, Goldie and Keenan, for the locals, may turn on the fireworks.

Despite Cumberland's past record, we expect St. George-Budapest to win, probably by the odd goal.

Croatia v.

Melita Eagles

Croatia's championship-winning hopes took a tumble last Sunday when they crashed to St. George at Hurstville Oval.

Melita, on the other hand, returned to the winning list with new coach Vlastas at the helm.

The win against Prague may be just what the doctor ordered to put the ailing Eagles back on their feet.

Croatia were most lethargic last week and they will have to regain their usual zest and method to curb the rejuvenated Melita.

We don't expect many goals at the SCG No. 2 as the visitors' defence should be able to hold out against the mobile Croatia forwards.

Croatia must win to hold off challenges by Pan Hellenic, Hakoah and St. George.

This they should do — on a brand of fast and purposeful soccer week after week.

TIPSTERS' CORNER

THIS WEEKEND'S MATCHES

	PAUL DEAN	LOU GAUTIER	MARCEL NAGY	KEITH GILMOUR	CHARLES SPITERI	ALAN SPEERS	MOST FAVORED
SCU v. Canterbury	x	2	x	2	x	2	2
Prague v. Pan Hellenic	2	2	2	x	x	2	2
Croatia v. Melita E.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Cum'lnd v. St. George	2	2	2	2	2	x	2
Hakoah v. Yugal	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Panonia v. APIA	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
Hakoah v. St. George	x	1	2	1	1	1	1
Sutherland v. Wests	x	x	2	2	x	1	1
Lane Cove v. Marconi	x	2	2	2	2	1	1
Bankstown v. Granville	2	x	2	2	1	2	2
Manly v. N. Bankstown	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Corinthians v. Blacktown	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hornsby v. Balgownie	1	1	1	1	1	2	1

Hakoah v. Yugal

With three of Australia's current international stars in their line-up, plus a big array of top-class players, Hakoah are clear-cut favourites.

Marnoch and Baartz gained tremendously in stature against the Scots, and together with Fuzez have greatly enhanced their reputations.

The Hakoah forward line should go places now that Baartz and Yaager have settled in nicely.



DANNY WALSH (Hakoah)

Yugal, despite their encouraging victory over Cumberland last week, cannot match Hakoah either in attack or defence with the team now at their disposal.

Newcomer Vesich is a bright new signing, but it will take him time to develop an understanding with Alagich, who remains Yugal's one and only real threat.

Hakoah should win comfortably.

South Coast v. Canterbury

The up-and-coming Berries face a stiff test at Woonona on Sunday.

Always hard to toss at home, South Coast are bent on halting the visitors' fine recent string of successes.

Whether they can pull it off, however, is a different kettle of fish as these Berries have shed all inhibitions and are turning

up to a brand of fast and purposeful soccer week after week.

Canterbury's forwards should have an exciting no holds barred battle with the Coast's solid defence.

Despite South Coast's good home record we feel the Berries have what it takes to notch yet another stirring win.

Prague v. Pan Hellenic

It's back to club football for Prague coach Joe Venglos after two weeks of superb work with the Australian national team.

Just like Australia against Scotland, Prague, too, will be the underdogs against Pan Hellenic on Sunday.

Prague's defence will have to tighten up considerably against Sydney's top-scoring forward-line.

Blitz' skilful wing play and the promptings of Westwater have transformed Pan Hellenic's attack, so disappointing last season, into a zestful, all-action quintet.

Prague, on the other hand, still haven't found the ideal forward-line. Pan Hellenic should win with something to spare despite their shocking performance against South Coast last Saturday.

Polonia-NS v. APIA

APIA's task is not an enviable one and this match, which at first glance may appear easy for them, is fraught with danger.

A lot will depend on how the APIA internationals have recuperated from their repeated efforts against the Scots and Manchester United midweek.

A full strength, fresh APIA would have little difficulty disposing of an inconsistent Polonia, which seems to have fallen to pieces, both in defence and attack.

But if the APIA stars are weary — and this is a distinct possibility — the home side could make it hot for the champions.

APIA, however, have such an edge in all departments that they should take both points even if they don't perform up to their usual high standard.

Hakoah v. St. George

The weekend's most vital game will be played on Monday.

This is a deferred game which will enable the winner to take a giant step towards the final play-offs.

Saints will be all-out to avenge their shock 6-1 first round defeat.

Hakoah, however, have recovered from their recent slump and their forwards are now back among the goals.

Saints are rarely able to handle Hakoah in competition clashes.

Hakoah should win again, but by a much smaller margin this time.

FIRST DIVISION REFEREES

Croatia v. Melita Eagles

N. Jones; Hakoah v.

Yugal — G. Naylor; Cum-

berland v. St. George —

A. Sorbie; SCU v. Can-

terbury — H. Eilerts; Prague

v. Pan Hellenic — J.

Scarborough; Polonia v.

APIA — A. R. Brown;

Hakoah v. St. George —

A. Boskovic.

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SYDNEY PROGRAM THIS WEEKEND

SATURDAY, JUNE 10

Croatia v. Melita Eagles — SCG No. 2
Cumberland v. St. George — Mona Park
Hakoah v. Yugal — Marks Field
Bankstown v. Granville — Marks Field

SUNDAY, JUNE 11

SCU v. Canterbury — Woonona Oval
Prague v. Pan Hellenic — Marks Field
Polonia-NS v. APIA — North Sydney Oval
Sutherland v. Western Suburbs — Seymour Shaw Park
Lane Cove v. Marconi — Pottery Green
Manly v. North Bankstown — Graham Reserve
Corinthians v. Blacktown — Jubilee Oval
Hornsby-NE v. Balgownie — Pennant Hills Oval

MONDAY, JUNE 12

Hakoah v. St. George — Wentworth Park

NEXT WEEKEND

SATURDAY, JUNE 17

Prague v. South Coast — Marks Field
Bankstown v. Marconi — Bankstown Oval

SUNDAY, JUNE 18

NSW v. Manchester United — Showground, 3 p.m.



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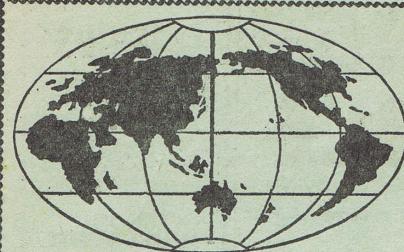
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RESULT SCOREBOARD

	APIA	Hakoah	St. George	Pan Hellenic	Prague	Croatia	Yugal	Cumberland	Polonia	Canterbury	M. Eagles
APIA	●					3-1	1-2	5-0	5-0	2-1	
Hakoah	2	●				1-1	0-1	4-0	1-3	3-1	
St. George	2	1-4	1-6	●	4-3	2-1	2-2	0-1	2-1	2-1	
South Coast	1	1	1	1	1	1-3	3-1	4-2	0-1	3-2	
Pan Hellenic	1	1	1	1	1	1-0	2-3	2-2	5-1	1-0	
Prague	1	0-4	0-2	0-3	1-0	●	2-2	2-1	4-1	1-0	
Croatia	1	1	1	1	1	1-1	2-0	5-0	2-1	5-1	
Yugal	2	2	2	2	0-2	3-7	1-1	●	2-1	4-1	
Cumberland	2	2	2	2	2-2	1-5	2-1	0-6	2-0	1-5	1-0
Polonia-NS	1	1	1	1	1	1-1	0-6	0-0	●	0-5	
Canterbury	1	1	1	1	0-2	5-4	1-2	0-4	1-0	1-1	
Melita Eagles	1	1	1	1	1	2-1	2-0	1-2	●	1-1	



ROUND THE WORLD

Stan is acting

Blackpool are not content to stay in Second Division to which they have just been relegated. Manager Stan Mortensen has already raided the transfer market and his first big catch is the great Liverpool wing half, Gordon Milne, for \$80,000.

Another Parisian club disappears

Another Parisian club has merged with a provincial club. Red Star, a struggling Parisian Second Division side, have amalgamated with Toulouse. The team will play in Paris next season because the capital's only remaining First Division club, Stade Paris, has been relegated to Second Division. Last year the once mighty Racing Paris merged with provincial Sedan to avoid bankruptcy. "Racing Sedan," however, play all their home matches in Sedan, except their big matches against top teams Nantes, St. Etienne and Rennes, which are played at Paris' Parc des Princes.

Welsh tourists

A Welsh team, self-selected and labelled "International XI," will play a series of matches in Mauritius and Zambia. The team includes such all-time Welsh stars as John and Mel Charles, Len and Ivor Allchurch, Terry Medwin and Cardiff City manager Jim Scouler.

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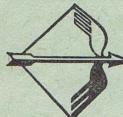
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Inter-Milan, Italy and Europe's top-dogs for the last three seasons, have been deposed as Italian champions. In a shock ending to the tough Italian league season Inter, still reeling from their defeat in the European Cup final by Celtic a week earlier, lost 0-1 away to Mantova. The title was won by Juventus, 2-1 winners over Lazio Rome. Juventus trailed Inter for the entire season and were one point behind the Herrera-team before the last round. Inter will thus miss out on next season's European Cup.

Bela Guttmann, the top coach, is writing an autobiography called "Team Builder."

Leningrad will soon have a covered, centrally heated stadium capable of accommodating 35,000 spectators for winter soccer.

Scottish bookmakers sighed with relief when Rangers lost the European Cupwinners' Cup final. Had Rangers achieved the double for Scotland, bookies would have had to fork out \$600,000 in bets.

Eintracht Frankfurt's Yugoslav international fullback Jusufi has been suspended for a month for punching MSV Duisburg's winger Ruhl.

Nottingham Forest beat Barcelona 2-1 in a friendly in England last week.

Manchester United are no longer interested in signing young Scotsman Jim McCalliog. On his displays in Australia with Scotland, McCalliog would certainly be out of his depth in United's star-studded line-up.

River Plate, Di Stefano's first Argentinian club, will play Real Madrid in the testimonial match for the former Real star centre-forward, later this month.

Barcelona's crack Brazilian forward, Silva, is likely to be transferred to Portugal's Sporting Lisbon.

River Plate of Buenos Aires have paid \$150,000 for native son Omar Sivori, the Napoli star. River Plate will send \$600,000 during the off-season on new players.

English First Division Southampton beat Singapore 9-1 in the first match of their nine-game Asian tour.

A panel of English soccer writers has named Jimmy Hill of newly-promoted Coventry City "Team Manager of the Year." A cash prize of \$2,000 went along with the award.

The final of the 1967-68 European Champions' Cup will be played in Belgrade. Yugoslavia will also stage the final of the Cupwinners' Cup, in Zagreb.

Two Corsican clubs, Ajaccio and Bastia, have been promoted to the French First Division. Reims and Stade Paris have been relegated.

The provincial club, Botev Plovdiv, has won the Bulgarian First Division. Levski Sofia are runners-up.

Standard Liege won the Belgian Cup. They beat Malines 3-1 in the final at Brussels and qualified for next year's European Cupwinners' Cup.

In Yugoslavia the Cup was won by the country's oldest club, Hajduk Split. They defeated competition leaders, Sarajevo, 2-1 in the final.

Rot Weiss Essen and Fortuna Dusseldorf, two clubs which were only promoted at the start of the season, have been relegated back to the West German regional leagues.

The newly formed Players' Union in Denmark is pressing for the introduction of at least a limited form of professionalism. At present Danes are true-blue amateurs.

There is a distinct possibility that soon Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Finland will combine to create a Scandinavian super-league.

Scotland has been invited to send their national team to South America next year. It will be interesting to see if they send a full team or a scratch side...

Shamrock Rovers won the Eire Cup for the 18th time this year; 11 of their successes came after the last war, the last four in a row.

SCOREBOARD

INTERNATIONALS: Eng-

SWITZERLAND: Biel

land v. Mexico 3-0 (Mont-

Granges 2-1; Grasshoppers

real); USSR v. Mexico 2-0

v. Chaux-de-Fonds 5-2; Lau-

sunne v. Lugano 5-3; Moutier

v. Servette 0-8; Sion v. Young

Fellows 5-0; Winterthur v.

Basel 0-0; FC Zurich v.

Young Boys Berne 2-1.

WEST GERMANY: Mun-

chen 1860 v. Eintracht Frank-

furt 2-1; Borussia Dortmund

v. Bayern Munchen 4-0; FC

Koln v. Werder Bremen 4-1;

Hamburger SV v. Fortuna

Dusseldorf 2-1; Braunschweig

v. FC Nurnberg 4-1; Kaisers-

jautern v. Hanover 96 1-0;

VfB Stuttgart v. Rotweiss Es-

sen 1-0; Schalke 04 v. Karls-

ruhe SC 1-3; MSV Duisburg

v. Moenchengladbach 1-3.

GREECE: AEK v. Ethnikos

0-0; Prosfytiki v. Olympiakos

0-4; Apollon v. Panionios

0-1; Vizas v. Heraklis

1-1; Trikala v. Panathinaikos

2-3; Aris v. PAOK 1-0; Pier-

ikos v. Veria 0-2; Panerai-

kos v. Egaleo 0-0.

SPAIN (Cup): Pontevedra

v. Cordoba 1-1; Granada v.

Elche 1-1.

3-1; Dinamo Zagreb v. Zagreb

3-0.

South American Champions' Cup

The eight quarter-finalists of the South American Champions' Cup are: Cruzeiro (Brazil), Universitario (Brazil), Racing (Argentina), River Plate (Argentina), Nacional (Uruguay), Universidad Catolica (Chile), Colo Colo (Chile) and Penarol (Uruguay), holders of the Intercontinental Cup. The quarterfinals must be completed before July 1. The South American final will be played before September 15.

Albert denies transfer rumors

Hungary's crack centre-forward, Florian Albert, denied rumors he may leave Hungary to play in France or Yugoslavia. "I'm flattered to be sought after," he said, "but I'm very happy with Ferencvaros and have no intention of ever leaving the country to play abroad."

Pruning to come

Many English clubs will again prune their staff during the off-season. Birmingham manager Stan Cullis will free several well known players including Graham Leggat, Bobby Thomson and Brian Rushton.

West Ham signs Ferguson

Alex Ferguson, the talented red-headed Scottish inside-left who scored three goals against Australia, has been transferred from Dunfermline to West Ham United where he will play alongside World Cup star Geoff Hurst. West Ham two weeks ago also purchased another Ferguson from Scotland: the Kilmarnock goalkeeper.

Pele's medal of merit

Pele last month was awarded Brazil's highest medal of merit, the Braganza Award, for adding to the country's prestige on soccer fields all over the world. This was the sixth award gained by Pele who has also been decorated twice before by his country and also by Argentina, Uruguay, France and Chile. Pele's latest medal allows him to sit in all Brazilian parliamentary debates.

Numbers are dated

Recently a British newspaper claimed that they had started today's universally accepted fashion of numbering players' jerseys and the date was 1937, at a Northern Ireland v. England international. However, according to records the idea is much older than that: in 1908 at an inter-city game between Berlin and Copenhagen the players already wore numbers on their jerseys.

Happy birthday

Toluca FC celebrated their 50th anniversary by winning the Mexican championship. Last year's winners America FA were second with Guadalajara third. Top scorer in the league was Toluca centre forward Amaury — a Brazilian.

Puskas off to America?

Spain is agog with rumors that Ferenc Puskas will leave Europe to become a player-coach in the US Professional League. Puskas is said to have signed a secret three-year contract with the "Golden Gate" club of San Francisco. Puskas is reported to have been guaranteed at least \$100,000 for his three-year stint in the US.

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VICTORIA MAY HAVE LEARNED A LESSON

From BOB LOW in Melbourne —

Victoria may have an advantage when they trot out against Manchester United at Olympic Park on Sunday.

The advantage should be that either the Victorian defeat or some knowledgeable official may have seen the United in action in one or both of their matches and returned home with some thoughts on the best tactics the State side could employ.

Ill-prepared until a few weeks ago through a chain of circumstances involving both clubs and players, in their last few training nights, the Victorian squad has improved immeasurably.

So much so in fact they have really looked good with their fitness, enthusiasm and teamwork matching their all-action style and productive finishing.

However, Manchester United bear little resemblance to the weak State League sides who have been pitted against the State squad in recent weeks.

In the past nine years Victoria have shown up reasonably well against some of the touring sides: Munster, Basel, Sing Tao, AS Roma, and even Chelsea.

TIRED S.A. TEAM WAS NO MATCH

From ALLAN CRISP in Adelaide —

South Australia, beaten 4-0 by Victoria last Sunday in front of a crowd of 5,000, have to completely revise their team for the Manchester United game on June 24.

SA were at a disadvantage facing the fresh Victorians, because a full round of league games were played in Adelaide the day prior to the interstate fixture.

They showed so little cohesion, however, that unless changes are made, the State side seems destined for a double-figure drubbing from the English league champions.

Last Sunday SA floundered hopelessly for the first 20 minutes, during which time Victoria could have scored at least four goals.

As it was Victoria managed only one goal from Jim Armstrong and with goalkeeper Wally Fedczyszyn in good touch, the home side had to be content with a narrow lead at the interval.

After half time SA responded to a roasting from Tom Forde and it was left to reserve, Rab Jones to supply the inspiration that lifted the side.

With 15 minutes left SA stopper Eugene Novak left

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On the other hand, amovic, a recent acquisition by JUST from Yugoslavia who has proved that with the right support he can be a dangerous forward.

I have no illusions on the outcome of the match, but hope that Victoria give most fans are aware, are a good account of themselves while Manchester United will provide the fans with a display in keeping with their tradition and place in world soccer.

The likely Victorian team is: Schroif, Keith, High, Randles, Van Alphen, Micic, Abonyi, Sanchez, Armstrong, Jim McKay, McMechan.

Although our players may fall well short of the class of their majestic opponents, they will go flat out with sheer endeavour and enthusiasm to try and keep the score down to respectable proportions.

The Victorian defence must form the backbone of the side and bear the brunt of masterful skills, dynamic approach play and finishing by the United attack.

In attack Victoria may gamble on youth while retaining at least two "old heads" to enable them to pace the game out.

I'm hoping that Ottie Abonyi, Jim Armstrong and Leo Damanaikos will all find places and a fourth member of the attack might well be Milos Ad-

the field with an injury and his departure triggered a sensational collapse.

In the final five minutes Victoria scored three goals — two from McMechan and one from McKay, to turn a respectable defeat into an unrealistic thrashing.

Details:

Goals: McMechan (2), Armstrong, McKay.

Victoria: Schroif, Keith, High, Randles, Van Alphen, Micic, McMechan, Sanchez, Armstrong, Anderson (McKay) Stankovic, SA: Fedczyszyn, Marusic, Balter, Worthington, Novak (Lovell), Lister, Pantelis (Jones), Batchelor, McColl, West, Herczeg.

Referee: L. Straface.

SA PROGRAM, RESULTS

Saturday, June 10: Pt. Adelaide v. Elizabeth, Polonia v. Austria, Victoria v. Budapest, Lion v. Croatia.

Monday, June 12: Juventus v. Hellas.

Last week's results:

Elizabeth City-Austria 0-2, Juventus-Croatia 2-0, Hellas-Lion 2-1, Pt. Ade-

laide-Budapest 1-1, Polonia-Victoria 1-0.

Departs:

Sydney	21/7
Melbourne	23/7
Adelaide	24/7
Fremantle	27/7

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Bankstown to test confident Granville

There are no changes in the first four places of the competition table as joint-leaders Granville and Manly both won their games last weekend while Hornsby-North End and Western Suburbs played out a 1-1 draw.

Sutherland, however, slipped down the table while Bankstown are making a determined comeback.

Last week's games:

Hornsby-NE v. Western Suburbs 1-1

Wests put up a very good performance and with more luck could have established a comfortable lead in the first half.

Smit scored for Wests in the 39th minute and Hornsby equalised in the 78th minute through Liang Hock after dominating most of the second half.

The locals, as predicted, turned on a good performance and were never worried by Sutherland's forward line in a rather dull game.

Blacktown v. Manly 0-2

Manly had one of their hardest games of the season and only in the last 10 minutes managed to score the winning goals.

The game was marred by rough play and hard,

dangerous tackling. Greg Jones and Waller were the scorers.

Balgownie v. Corinthians 0-1

Corinthians dominate play from start to finish at Balgownie Oval but only

scored eight minutes from the end when a perfect pass by Amey was headed in by the unmarked Orr.

THIS WEEKEND

The clashes between

Granville and Bankstown

and Sutherland and Western Suburbs catch the eye this weekend.

Bankstown could snatch

at least one point from the leaders while Sutherland and Western Suburbs could easily draw.

Manly will have to field

their best team to beat

North Bankstown and

Hornsby face a hard task when they meet Balgownie.

In other matches Lane

Cove meet Marconi and

Corinthians play bottom-of

-the-table Blacktown.

— Charles Spiteri

SA TABLE

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Hellas	6	2	2	21	6	14
Juventus	6	1	2	27	10	13
Polonia	5	2	1	11	4	12
Austria	6	2	2	12	6	12
Croatia	3	2	3	11	9	8
Budapest	3	1	4	9	13	7
Victoria	2	1	5	12	21	5
Elizabeth	1	2	5	15	4	3
Pt. Adelaide	1	1	6	7	21	3
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FIRST WIN TO N.S.W.

University of NSW, after a slow start in the preliminary round-robin, went on to win the 1967 Intervarsity Carnival in Melbourne two weeks ago.

This was the NSW Uni's first ever victory in the series.

The eight competing varsity teams were split into two groups.

Group I included Monash, Sydney, Tasmania and WA, who finished in that order.

The order in Group II was NSW University, Adelaide, Queensland and New England.

Group I results: Monash-WA 5-1, Sydney-Tasmania 0-0, Sydney-Monash 2-0, Tasmania-WA 3-2, Sydney-WA 4-2, Monash-Tasmania 6-0.

In Group II: NSW-New England 6-1, Qld.-New England 2-2, Qld.-New South Wales 5-0, NSW-Adelaide 3-0, Qld.-NSW 2-2, Adelaide-New England 3-3.

NSW beat Monash 3-0 and Sydney beat Queensland 7-0 in the semis.

In the all-Sydney final, the University of NSW were too polished for Sydney Uni and scored two copy-book goals through Viv Orchard and Michael Deligente to record an impressive 2-0 win.

At the completion of the Carnival, the following Intervarsity XI was selected to play the Victorian under-23 side: Colaguri, Chullabodhi, Davies, Cheung, MacDonald, Shephard, Sililo, Stokes, Auwah, Mitchell, Shamshuddin.

ALL AUST. RESULTS

NSW NORTHERN

Division One — Adamstown 4, Belmont 2, Cardiff 1, Awaba 3, Hamilton 1, L. Macquarie 1, Newcastle 4, Weston 17, W. Wallsend 1, Wallsend 2.

Division Two — Young Wallsend 0, P. Hellenic 2, Latrobe 4, Metton 0, Meriton 5; Coalstars 2, St. Helens 1.

Division Three — Azzuri 4, Annerley 1; Budapest 2, GAP 2; East 1, Germania 3; Barwon 3, Mitchelton 0; Dnipro 0, Dnipro 0.

QUEENSLAND

Division One — Thistle 2, Oley 0; Hollandia 2, Latrobe 4; Hellenic 0, Metton 5; Coalstars 2, St. Helens 1.

Division Two — Azzuri 4, Annerley 1; Budapest 2, GAP 2; East 1, Germania 3; Barwon 3, Mitchelton 0; Dnipro 0, Dnipro 0.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

State League — Azzuri 4, Cottesloe 1; Cracova 1, Swan Ath. 2; Tricolore 4, Windmills 1; Swan Valley 2, Olympia 2; Cockburn 3, Perth City 1.

Division Two — Macabi 0, Kiev 4, Subiaco 6, Dalmarinac 2, University 0, Julia 0; Athens 4, Scarboro 1; Caledonians, bye.

TASMANIA

Southern Falkland Cup 1st Round — Croatica 0, Olympia 1; Calles 0, Juventus 2; Olympia 4, S. Hobart 0; Eagles 2, Rangers 0.

North Western — Ulverstone 1, Spartans 1; Rovers 1, Devonport 1.

DIVISION II

L'pool Inter v. Belmont 0.5-0.7; Warrington v. Guildford 2.0-0.3; Ararat v. Gympie 3.0-1.3; Arncliffe 4-2; Warrington 4.5-1.4; All Stars 3.0-3.24; Yagoona 3.3-4.20; Riverside 3.3-4.19; Penrith 2-2; Auburn 1-2; L'pool Inter 2-0; N. Sydney v. Wentw. W. 4.1-0.3.

DIVISION III

L'pool Inter v. Belmont 0.5-0.7; Warrington v. Guildford 2.0-0.3; Ararat v. Gympie 3.0-1.3; Arncliffe 4-2; Warrington 4.5-1.4; All Stars 3.0-3.24; Yagoona 3.3-4.20; Riverside 3.3-4.19; Penrith 2-2; Auburn 1-2; L'pool Inter 2-0; N. Sydney v. Wentw. W. 4.1-0.3.

DIVISION III

Kuring-gai v. St. Marys 1.4-2.4; Emre v. B'town Spurs 13.2-1.1; Willoughby v. L'pool City 5.1-4.1; Padstow RSL v. Dee Why 1.2-1.6; Smithfield v. G'ville-H'th 1.4-4.2; Greenacre v. Condell Park 2.2-2.2; Padstow RSL v. 10-13.58 0.

DIVISION I

Enmore 7.2-1.23; 19.16; Dee Why 6.2-2.27; 14.14; Condell Park 7.1-3.18; 15.13; Gympie 4.5-1.27; 17.12; Arncliffe 6.4-2.26; 14.13; Warrington 6.1-1.29; 14.11; All Stars 4.3-3.24; 20.11; Yagoona 3.3-4.20; 20.9; Riverside 3.3-4.19; 24.6; Penrith 2-2; 6.17; 24.6; Auburn 1-2; 7.13; 24.1; L'pool Inter 2-8; 9.32; 24.4.

DIVISION II

Enmore 10.0-— 95.19.16; Dee Why 7.2-1.32; 19.16; Condell Park 7.1-2.42; 19.15; Gympie 7.3-3.42; 24.14; Arncliffe 6.2-2.25; 20.14; Warrington 6.1-1.29; 20.13; All Stars 4.1-1.29; 20.9; Greenacre 4.1-1.29; 24.14; Riverside 3.2-2.18; 24.8; Penrith 3-2-18.39; 8.3; Blacktown 3-2-7.21; 36.6; Smithfield 2-1-7.22; 45.4; Kuring-gai 2-2-8.20; 36.4; Greenacre v. Condell Park 2-2-8.20; 36.4; Padstow RSL 10-13.58 0.

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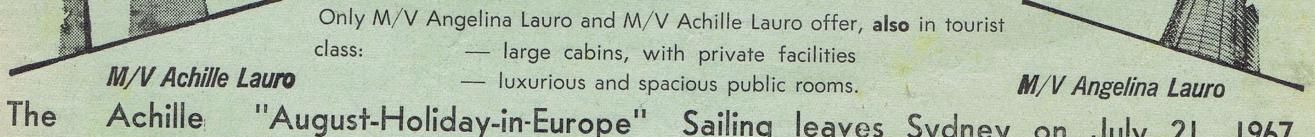
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SPECIAL REPORTS ON THE BIG MATCHES

AUSTRALIA GREW UP IN INTERNATIONAL SOCCER

— By LOU GAUTIER —

Australian soccer came of age last week when in the space of six days our national team offered superb resistance to the touring Scottish XI.

Sydney fans would not game to heights no other Australian team had ever reached. The way they played in Adelaide and Melbourne.

They performed as true British professionals and turned on some polished soccer in the tradition of some of the best teams which toured Australia in the past.

Yet, despite the Scots' brilliance, they could only beat Australia narrowly.

The Australian team gained accrued prestige from their clashes against Scotland. This is how I saw the Scotland. Adelaide and Melbourne.

They, too, lifted their matches.

In Adelaide: 1-2

Australia's national team gained tremendously in stature at Adelaide's Norwood Oval last Wednesday week when a vastly improved, at times brilliant, Scotland had to struggle all the way to win 2-1 after being held 1-1 at halftime.

Adelaide's match was the most exciting of the three internationals.

The cool, fresh air and the enthusiasm of the small, but vocal crowd, brought out the best in both teams.

The match was played in true international atmosphere with both teams striving desperately for a win in 90 minutes of action soccer.

Australia, on Wednesday came close to international class for the first time.

Our defence, certainly, was world class and both Scottish goals were unstoppable.

Our attack again paled in comparison with the defence where Cook was back at his best and Shepherd was cool, reliable and determined.

Had Australia played with Scotland's classy wingers, McLean and Morgan, who gave scintillating displays, we would have won comfortably.

Australia, however, attacked more frequently than in Sydney and their attacks were mounted with more purpose and confidence.

Tackling on both sides was again hard, but the game was not nearly as rough as in Sydney thanks to the firm refereeing of Victoria's D. Maitland.

The match produced good international football.

Scots' stamina

Scotland tried to win by as many goals as they could to silence their critics, but every player had to give the very best of himself to scrape home by the odd goal.

The score was a fair indication of play as the visitors were the more skilful and fitter side.

In the final count it was only the Scots' superior stamina that gave them victory.

Our gallant part-timers faded in the last 25 minutes while the Scots were going as strong as ever.

Yet we held out . . .

Any Australian team up to only three years ago would have collapsed in the

In Melbourne: 0-2

The record book will show that Australia lost 0-2 against Scotland at Melbourne's Olympic Park last Sunday, but the score was no indication of play.

Despite their understandable weariness at having to play three hard internationals in six days, the Australians played their best football of the three matches in Melbourne.

The team showed much better understanding than in Sydney and Adelaide, and for the first time the forward-line showed signs of functioning smoothly — no mean feat for a team which has been together for less than two weeks.

We didn't score a goal, but we had just as much of the ball, both in the midfield and in attack.

With Warren, Morrow, Giacometti and Abonyi, who had a most promising international debut, acting as spearheads, Australia set up many good moves which nearly came off.

Weary Aussies

The first Scottish goal came completely against the run of play when Australia were well on top and on the verge of opening the score.

The second goal, which sealed the match, eight minutes before fulltime, was a direct consequence of Australia's weariness.

The very hard match in Adelaide took its toll on our part-timers, and in the last 20 minutes on Sunday they surrendered the initiative to the Scots — the only time during the match the Scots were in complete control.

Although the Australians ran out of stamina the Scots were only able to score one goal as our defence remained as cool and efficient as ever.

This Australian defence is really something.

It may not fill the purists with glee, but it proved conclusively against the Scots in all three matches that the days when touring teams ran up cricket scores against our national side are well and truly over.

Just as in Sydney and Adelaide, Scotland had to fight desperately to win.

This is a compliment to the Australian team because the Scots played their best match in Australia on Sunday.

Their displays in Adelaide and Melbourne rate them as good a team as Chelsea, and certainly a better side than Roma, and it's a shame they played their worst game, by far, in Sydney in front of the largest crowd of the tour.

Australia started the Melbourne match far more confidently than previously. In the first half they were seldom in difficulty and had the Scots' measure.

In the second half they were seldom in difficulty and had the Scots' measure.

Referee: D. Maitland (Vic).

Crowd: 12,500.

BRAVE Q'LAND PLAYED IN RIGHT SPIRIT

— By PAUL DEAN —

In Brisbane last Sunday Manchester United gave an inkling of their enormous talent in trouncing Queensland 7-0.

But forget the score: neither team regarded it as really important.

Manchester, playing probably at half-pace, could have scored many more while Queensland certainly missed at least two "sitters."

This was a good-natured encounter, made so by the intelligent attitude of both teams.

Manchester, very cleverly, refused to fight for every single ball as they would in a league match and thus gave the Queenslanders plenty of chances to get into the next few years.

Australia, with Giacometti substituting for Morrow at the break, started the second half full of fire and fight and were nearly in three times before Ferguson put Scotland ahead from a goalmouth scramble.

Three minutes after the goal, Fuze left the field with an injured arm and was replaced by Rorke.

A tragedy for the young Hakoah goalie who was in brilliant form.

As the minutes ticked by, Australia's condition ran out and we were pinned down in our half of the field by the Scots, still full of running.

In the 82nd minute, McCallig, who played his best game in Australia, headed a Townsend free-kick after an unnecessary foul by Van Blerk — over the heads of the Australian defence where the alert Ferguson beat Rorke with a neat header.

This goal took the wind out of the Aussies, who were glad to hear the final whistle eight minutes later.

Many stars

Australia had many good performers: Rice, Wattiss, Abonyi (in the first half), Fuze (until his injury), Westwater, Shepherd and Warren.

Skipper Pat Hughes, the best man on the field in Adelaide, was mentally and physically exhausted, but battled on courageously.

The classy, professional Scots were best served by Ferguson, Hope, McCallig, McGroarty, Townsend and winger McLean.

Referee Boskovic was excellent, allowed the game to proceed freely and kept a firm check on rough play, which was at a minimum. Details:

Australia: Fuze (Rorke), Shepherd, Marnoch, Cook, Van Blerk, Hughes, Wattiss, Westwater, Giacometti, Baartz, McMeekan (replaced in 15th minute by Blue).

Scotland: Cruickshank, Callaghan, Townsend, Anderson, McGroarty, Fraser, McLean, Hope, McCallig, Ferguson, Morgan.

Scorers: Townsend 23 min., Morgan 63 min. for Scotland; Baartz 34 min. for Australia.

Referee: Ferguson 61 and 82 mins. for Scotland. Referee: A. Boskovic. Crowd: 22,000.

The star of the whole match can be found in the forward line: what George Best did was the pinnacle of football.

His dazzling runs, cutting in and out past defenders were Matthews at his best; his shooting power was that of a young Garrincha.

Short of putting him in iron shackles there was absolutely no way of stopping him. Charlton did not play his usual role as he seldom bothered to help out in defence.

Scorers: Cantwell 8 min., Aston 9 and 61 min., Best 37 and 82 min., Charlton 52 and 57 min. Referee: V. Dobinson. Crowd: 30,000 (all-time Queensland record).

Details:

Manchester United: Steppen, Brennan, Dunne, Crerand, Sadler, Stiles, Best, Charlton, Cantwell, Kidd, Aston.

Queensland: Kelly, Wilkins, Catchpole, Mackie, Snaith, Petie, Monaghan, Hosie, Tucker, McMillan, Patterson.